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For: THIN-FILM SEMICONDUCTOR)
DEVICE AND METHOD OF)
MANUFACTURING THE SAME) January 9, 2003

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the below-listed documents are enclosed.

U.S. Patent No. 6,075,280
U.S. Patent No. 6,136,668
U.S. Patent No. 6,186,384
U.S. Patent No. 6,465,329
U.S. Patent Appln. Pub. 2002/0076904
U.S. Patent Appln. Pub. 2002/0100941

These documents were cited in copending U.S. Application No. 10/059,116, which is one of the two copending applications listed in the Information Disclosure Statement dated January 30, 2002 in this case. Filing particulars for those two applications were provided in the Information Disclosure Statement dated August 15, 2002.

Inasmuch as this application has not yet received a first Office Action on the merits, it is believed that this Information Disclosure Statement is timely. See 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3). Accordingly, the Examiner is urged to study this information in its entirety and to form an independent determination of the materiality of the information to the claimed invention. Additionally, the Examiner is requested to indicate that this information has been considered by initialing the appropriate portion of Form PTO-1449.

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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS						
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	6,075,280	06/13/00	Yung et al.	257	620	
	6,136,668	10/24/00	Tamaki, et al.	438	462	
	6,186,384	02/13/01	Sawada	225	2	
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